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FILTRATION ARRANGEMENT UTILIZING PLEATED CONSTRUCTION

AND METHOD

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

Box Non-Fee Amendment Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed 24 September 2002, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

AMENDMENTS

In the Specification

Please substitute new pages 68-70 in portrait orientation.

In the Claims

Please cancel claim 139

Please amend the claims to read as follows:

- 1. (AMENDED) A filter element comprising:
 - (a) a media pack comprising:
 - (i) a construction of a media composite; said construction including a substrate having a plurality of pleats having a length extending from said first end to said second end, the substrate comprising a filter medium having a high efficiency when tested with particles having a diameter of 0.01 to 1 μ ;
 - (ii) said construction having a tubular shape and defining an open interior having a first and a second opposite ends; and